

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

**PATENT**

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Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (hereinafter "PTO") on September 27, 2007, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on January 27, 2007, which fell over a weekend.. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee are enclosed. Please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.